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E. O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS: JULY 25-29 NON-ALIGNED FONMINS
MEETING AT BELGRADE

REF: A. STATE 178240, B. STATE 178242, C. RABAT 4632,
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1. EMBOFF HAD TWO BRIEF CONVERSATIONS ON NAM CONFERENCE
WITH MFA DIRECTOR FOR AMERICAN AND EUROPEAN AFFAIRS
OMAR BELKORA PRIOR TO LATTER'S DEPARTURE FOR BELGRADE.
GIVEN TIME CONSTRAINTS ON BELKORA, IT WAS AGREED THAT WE
WOULD PROVIDE HIM WITH AIDE MEMOIRE DRAWN FROM REFTELS
A AND B PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE. HE PROMISED TO DISCUSS
CONFERENCE IN DETAIL UPON HIS RETURN. AS HE HAS SINCE
BEGUN VACATION, HOWEVER, EMBOFFS RAISED NAM MEETING
AUGUST 11 WITH MFA AFRICA/ASIA DIRECTOR MOHAMED HALIM,
ALSO A MEMBER OF THE GOM DELEGATION.

2. ON CUBA (SEE REFTEL D), HALIM ACKNOWLEDGED THAT
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MOROCCO'S ROLE IN LEADING ATTACKS ON CUBA BY NAME HAD BEEN
A DEPARTURE FROM ITS PREVIOUS POLICY. HE PREDICTED
THAT THE GOM MIGHT HAVE TO PAY THE PRICE OF A SUBSEQUENT
CUBAN RECOGNITION OF THE POLISARIO.

3. HALIM SAID THAT, AS AT KHARTOUM, THE GOM WAS
GRATIFIED AT THE ABILITY OF THE MODERATES TO ASSERT

THEMSELVES IN BELGRADE.

4. EMBOFF ASKED WHETHER THE GOM HAD LODGED ANY RESERVATIONS ON THE FINAL DECLARATION OTHER THAN THAT CONCERNING HAVANA AS THE SITE FOR THE NEXT SUMMIT. EMBOFF SPECIFICALLY REFERRED IN THIS RESPECT TO THE LANGUAGE ON PUERTO RICO , WHICH WASHINGTON FELT WAS UNACCEPTABLE. HALIM SAID HE WAS SURE THERE HAD BEEN OTHER RESERVATIONS, BUT HE COULD NOT IDENTIFY THE SUBJECTS, AS HE HAD SAT IN ON ONLY A LIMITED NUMBER OF COMMITTEES. HE PROMISED TO LOOK INTO THE QUESTION.

5. COMMENT: WE WILL ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY WHAT OTHER SUBJECTS, IF ANY, ON WHICH MOROCCO MAY HAVE LODGED RESERVATIONS.

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